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PRICE ONE CENT

Fat People Are Anxious to Reduce Their Weight But Not Enough So To Do the Two Things Necessary, To Exercise More and Eat Less

## NORTHERN MEXICO IN STATE OF OPEN REVOL

Increasing Signs of Rebellion  
Against Carranza

SUPPORTERS FLEEING TO TEXAS

Officials and Their Families Already  
Arriving at Towns on the  
Border.

Washington, Oct. 25.—Grave reports concerning events in northern Mexico reached the State Department and the War Department today. It may be only a question of days, if not of hours, before all northern Mexico is in open rebellion against First Chief Carranza.

Carranza's followers and even Gen. Trevino himself are hurrying their families on specially guarded trains to points of safety. Gen. Bell reports from the border that Chihuahua city and Juarez are both ready to capitulate to Villistas, according to the latest information he has received.

Secretary Lansing said that several hundred refugees from Chihuahua city had reached the border already, because of the food shortage. The seriousness of this problem may result in rush work on the part of the American Red Cross to check starvation near the border.

The War Department's information concerning the ravages of the Villa bandits and the chaotic conditions that prevail came in reports forwarded by Gen. Funston.

The arrival of some thousands of Carranzista troops at Chihuahua city had temporarily made conditions there more secure, but the whole tenor of the news is that these troops may join the Chihuahua garrison, which, it is understood here in well-informed circles, is in secret league with Carranza's enemies.

FOR TOTAL ABSTINENCE

House of Deputies Adopts Resolutions.

St. Louis, Mo., Oct. 26.—The house of deputies of the general convention of the Protestant Episcopal church yesterday adopted a resolution urging that the members of the church be total abstainers from intoxicating liquors, especially at social functions. The resolution was introduced by Rev. G. L. Tucker of Houma, La. The house of deputies also adopted a resolution directing the board of religious education to urge state boards of education to give credit for Bible study in high schools.

COMMISSIONER'S NOTICE

Estate of MICHAEL McALEE.  
The undersigned, having been appointed by the Honorable Probate Court for the District of Bennington, COMMISSIONER, to receive, examine and adjust the claims and demands of all persons against the estate of Michael McALEE, late of Bennington, in said District, deceased, and all claims exhibited in offset thereto, hereby gives notice that he will meet for the purpose aforesaid, at the office of Collins M. Graves, in the Village of Bennington, in said District, on the 10th day of April, 1917, at 2 o'clock p. m., until 4 o'clock p. m., on said day and that six months from the 6th day of October, A. D. 1916 is the time limited by said Court for said creditors to present their claims to us for examination and allowance. Dated at Bennington, Vt., this 11th day of October, A. D. 1916.

W. M. HILLS,  
JAMES WOOD,  
Commissioners.

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## WEIRD WIRELESS STATION TALE FROM LONDON

Interned German Steamship Said  
to Harbor Secret Outfit

NOW DOCKED AT NEW LONDON

Story Based on Letters Alleged to  
Have Been Written by German  
Seamen.

London, October 26.—The following two letters, intercepted on their way to Germany, were made public yesterday. The first one, from Max —, 461 East Eighth street, South Boston, addressed to his brother, said: "Dear Gustav: The Wilhelm had sailed today. I am to stay here till the end of the war. The Wilhelm will act within the American three-mile limit as a telegraph station for submarines. She has four-months' provisions aboard."

The second letter was from the captain to the Wilhelm, named Jachens, who wrote from New London to his sister in Germany, saying: "I rejoice I am now here as captain of the Wilhelm. The Koln still lies at Boston. I am here with the Wilhelm on a special mission. Later you will hear more from me. I rejoice that I have done something for the fatherland and that I still have more to do."

The North German Lloyd steamship Wilhelm, which took refuge in Boston soon after the beginning of the war, was taken to New London on August 25 last under command of Capt. Jachens and was tied up at the pier of the Eastern forwarding company, the American agent for the German submarine merchantmen. The Wilhelm was said to carry a full crew of German sailors, some of whom were declared at the time to have been recruited from other ships. The wireless on the Wilhelm, as well as on all other German and belligerent vessels in American ports, was dismantled and sealed by customs officers soon after the beginning of the war.

The Wilhelm at New London was taken to a prepared dock on which the Eastern forwarding company had erected under rush orders, after the arrival of the submersible Deutsch and at Baltimore a corrugated iron shed about 400 feet long by twenty-five feet wide, with the end of the pier enclosed by a high fence joined on to the office of the company.

Captain Hirsch, former master of the North German Lloyd lines Neckar, was brought from Baltimore and placed in charge of the property.

Fast to cluster piling, fifty feet away from the dock, its stern hard against the bank of the Thames river the steamship's wireless is sealed.

Washington, Oct. 25.—There have been various rumors about the mission of the Wilhelm at New London, but government officials here, after investigation, have accepted as true the story that it ventured to sea from Boston and braved the allied cruiser patrol off the coast for fifty miles to act as "mother ship" for German submarines expected to arrive at the Connecticut port.

**Children Cry  
FOR FLETCHER'S  
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ply Mrs. M. Rice Pownall, Vt., opposite  
station. 22113

## LICENSES SUSPENDED

Three Adams Hotels Must Close  
Bars for Ten Days.

The selectmen of Adams through the action of the chairman of the board, Dr. J. H. Choquette, had the proprietors of the Barrett hotel, the Greylock house and Berkshire inn before them Tuesday evening on charges of violating their liquor licenses. The chairman last spring when the licenses were granted warned all that they must live to the letter of the law and so informed the police. The latter reported illegal sales on the Sunday evening that Co. M came home from the border. The licenses were suspended in all three cases for the next 10 days and the proprietors were told they must observe the penalty strictly. The board also decided yesterday to revoke all club licenses for infractions of the law. The entire liquor situation was discussed and the clubs were alleged to have been injuring the regular saloons by illegal selling. Chairman Choquette says the license laws in Adams must be obeyed to the very letter while he is chairman of the board of selectmen.

## CATS HAD PARALYSIS

Large Number Killed by Humane  
Society Had the Disease.

Lowell, Mass., Oct. 21.—The report for three months work of the Lowell Humane society submitted by Agents C. F. Richardson, is interesting chiefly because of its reference to the paralysis of cats in this city. In the three months, 1048 cats have been killed, many of which suffered from paralysis of the back and the back legs.

Agent Richardson reported the condition to Dr. C. E. Simpson, state health officer, with the result that the latter made an examination which satisfied him the animals suffered from poliomyelitis, a term commonly used by the profession in indicating infantile paralysis.

Lowell has had little trouble from infantile paralysis, however. From the first of the present year, only 14 cases have been reported, while 12 of these have been reported since the beginning of the epidemic. It is considered remarkable that there have been so few cases, if the cats found paralyzed have been victims of the disease known as poliomyelitis, since children are accustomed to fondle cats, and in many cases are known to have fondled cats reported to the Humane society for treatment. In all cases, paralysis has been complete. The Humane society tried a system of treating the animals when cases were first reported, but it was entirely ineffectual and in the cases later brought to its attention, extermination was resorted to, in the interests of health, as well as to relieve unnecessary suffering.

## SUICIDE OF WOUNDED MAN

Maine Hunter Ends Misery After Ac-  
cidentally Shooting Himself

Ashland, Me., Oct. 26.—The belief that Arthur Raffard, a youthful hunter, deliberately took his own life after he had shot himself accidentally here, yesterday was expressed when his body was found by his father, A. W. Raffard, in a field at the rear of his farm. The location of the wounds indicated that the young man received the contents of the gun in the abdomen while trying to remedy some trouble with the weapon. Apparently he then dragged himself about 10 rods toward his home, but finding it impossible to reach there, reloaded the gun and shot himself under the left ear.

## POTATOES AT WILLIAMSTOWN

Twenty-One Patches Entered in Com-  
petition.

The first year of the competition in Williamstown in the production of pedigreed, high quality, seed potatoes has been remarkably successful. Nineteen different farmers completed, two of whom entered two patches each, making a total of 21 competing patches. Exhibits from these were displayed Wednesday night at Mount Hope farm, every night being kept separate and marked with its weight. The best rate of production was 362 bushels to the acre.

## Jellyfish.

The bay of Naples abounds in medusae, or jellyfish, often growing as large as two feet in diameter and weighing fifty and sixty pounds. Some of them shine at night with a greenish light and are known as "noctiluca" (night lanterns) by the natives.

## The Limit.

"They say old Closest has still got the first dollar he ever made."  
"Yes, and I'll bet he has still got the first umbrella he ever borrowed."—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

## About.

"What did your baby cry about last night?" asked the man next door.  
"About five hours," replied Mr. Youngpop.—Exchange.

Don't ever worry about what you cannot help.

## REGAINED GROUND AT VERDUN HELD BY FRENCH

Counterattacks by Germans on  
Douaumont Repulsed

FORT COMMANDER CAPTURED

Germans Completely Surprised and  
French Victory Exceeded All  
Expectations.

Paris, Oct. 26.—Three successive counterattacks by the Germans north of Verdun, in the region of Haumont and Douaumont, were repulsed by the French yesterday, says the bulletin issued by the war office last night. The prisoners taken by the French now exceed 4500. The German officer in command at Fort Douaumont was among those captured.

The French attack at Verdun apparently took the Germans completely by surprise and not at one point did they succeed in stopping the impetuous rush, says a dispatch from Paris. In three hours the French recaptured ground to gain which required months of patient effort by the Germans, including such positions as Douaumont fort and Thiaumont work, which in the past were won and lost repeatedly.

The official French account of the battle does not say the German line was forced back, but that it was "burst." Later details of the French victory show that its extent was as much of a surprise to the French as it must have been to the Germans.

Paris, Oct. 25.—All the ground the French snatched from the Germans yesterday at Verdun is held. Hurling back three counter attacks of the Crown Prince's troops, Gen. Nivelle's troops began today an encircling movement on Vaux fort, the only one of the outer forts of the Verdun ring still in the hands of the invaders.

"East of Fumin wood and north of Le Chenoy we continued to make progress during the day," says the War Office statement issued tonight.

An advance east of Fumin wood means that the French are striving to cut off the retreat of the Vaux fort garrison. Thus far 4,500 wounded prisoners have been counted. The commander of Fort Douaumont was captured in a dugout within the fort.

The Crown Prince's counter attacks today were hurled at every portion of the ground taken from him, and everywhere they met with complete failure. The first attack was delivered last evening against the Haumont quarry. That failed. At 5 o'clock this morning an attack was made against the anvil battery. It too failed.

The Somme battle has ceased for the moment because of bad weather, and every eye is fixed on Verdun. It is believed that the successful French attack will not only stop the projected German effort on the Somme, but help Rumania or Russia by preventing the transfer of German troops in numbers to those fronts.

## HIS TWO TENSE MOMENTS.

One a Ninth Inning Crisis, the Other a  
Dinner Table Climax.

I heard a prominent Cambridge man tell of the two most tense moments of his life. But the tension in each case was different.

"I doubt if I ever shall forget either occasion," he said reflectively. "They were big moments."

"The first was when I was in college. I was captain of the baseball team that year. We came to the end of the ninth. We needed one run to tie the score and another to win the game. Two men were down and two on the sacks when I came to bat. And for once in my career I did it. I lined out a three bagger right over the railroad track. When I felt it go—well, that was one occasion."

"And the other?" He chuckled, but a slow flush crept over his cheeks. "It was thirty years ago, soon after I left college. I went over to see a girl I thought was pretty nice and to meet her folks for the first time. I went on a Sunday. All the men were away. And they had duck for dinner." He stopped. "Ever carve a duck?" he asked meaningly. "No, neither had I before. Nor have I since." His flush deepened. "I never even went to see that girl again," he added plaintively.—Boston Journal.

## An Effectual Cure.

"She wants to be a sister to me."  
"You can easily get her out of that notion."  
"How?"  
"Treat her as you would a sister."—Kansas City Journal.

## GERMAN WARSHIP WRECKED

Large Quantities of Debris Washed  
Up on Danish Island.

Copenhagen, via London, Oct. 26.—Large quantities of wreckage were washed up on Revshale Island, near Copenhagen Wednesday.

According to the Ekstrabladet an investigation showed that the wreckage was from a German warship. It included large sections of the after-part of the ship.

## VICAR HAS LOST FOUR SONS

One War Corporal, One Sergeant, One  
Lieutenant, One Captain.

London, Oct. 25.—The Rev. C. H. James, vicar of Lancashire, has lost four sons in the war. His third son, James, a sergeant, who was 29 years old, has fallen in the Somme fighting. Before the war he was a lawyer.

His eldest brother, Corporal James James, was killed in September, 1915. He was 31 years old. Ten days earlier Capt. James died of wounds received at Gallipoli, and Lieut. Geo. James, the youngest, was killed at the Dardanelles. He was 22 years old.

## ANNOYED BY "HUGGER"

Several Bennington Women Report  
Disagreeable Experiences.

A number of Bennington young women have been annoyed during the past two evenings by a "hugger." The offences have taken place on Safford and Pleasant street and young women who are obliged to be out in the evening, either going to or coming from their work, are not a little alarmed by the occurrences.

The young man who has figured in these annoyances is unknown to any of his victims but is described as less than 20 years of age, slight in build and rather shabbily dressed. At the time of his latest offence, which took place Wednesday evening, he was wearing a grey cap and brown overcoat.

## VERMONT SOLDIERS PAID

Total Amounts to a Little Over  
\$40,000.

Montpelier, Oct. 25.—Vermont paid the members of the 1st Vermont regiment, while in federal service from June 19 to October 19 at Eagle Pass, Texas, and Fort Ethan Allen, the sum of \$40,000 according to figures available at the state treasurer's office.

This day, it will be remembered, was voted at the special session of the Legislature held two months ago. The actual amount paid will exceed the sum stated by a few hundred dollars.

## PRICE OF WHEAT SLUMPS

Europe Stops Buying After Startling  
Rise to \$1.86.

Chicago, Oct. 25.—War torn Europe succeeded, temporarily at least, today in accomplishing what all the embargo agitation in the United States had heretofore failed to effect—the stoppage of the wild wheat price advance which has been in progress, virtually unchecked for nearly four months.

Sudden withdrawal of British Government purchasing agents was announced when the wheat market advance took traders' breath away by valuing to \$1.86 a bushel, one cent above the high price record of the Joe Leiter "corner" in 1898. Then almost simultaneously the bullish speculators got word that foreigners were reselling their holdings both for immediate and future delivery.

Quotations came crashing down, and at no time during the remainder of the trading was there any lasting rally. The close was unmistakably weak at net gains of only 7-8 to 2c., with December delivery at \$1.80 to \$1.80 3-4 and May \$1.80 1-8 to \$1.80 1-2.

## GIRLS FOR ARMY

They Will Aid in Recruiting at San  
Francisco.

San Francisco, Oct. 26.—The United States army authorities here have advertised for women to aid in securing enlistments for the army, it became known yesterday. The advertisement, inserted by Lieut.-Col. John H. Gardner, retired, who is in charge of the recruiting station there, called for "12 girls for the United States army." The advertisement specified that they must be "attractive, intelligent and industrious," held out the inducement that there was a chance to "make money and do your country a service" and concluded with the warning that "no triflers need apply." Col. Gardner's plan is to install an exhibit which will demonstrate the life of a soldier from camp cooking to infantry drill. The women recruiting agents will work out of that station and will be paid \$1 for every recruit they obtain.

## HIGHEST SINCE CIVIL WAR

Flour Has Gone Up 30 Cents Whole-  
sale in Two Days.

Chicago, Oct. 26.—The wholesale price of high grade family flour was advanced to \$10 a barrel here yesterday, the highest price since the civil war. This is an increase of 30 cents within two days.

## ROUMANIANS BLEW UP GREAT BRIDGE OVER DANUBE

Was Biggest Public Work in Their  
Entire Country

BRIDGE WAS 14 MILES LONG

Invaders Hold East End of Bridge  
and Are Pursuing the Fleeing Frag-  
ments of the Rumanian Army.

London, Oct. 26.—The Rumanians have blown up the big bridge at Cernovoda and have abandoned the city to the Austro-German and Bulgarian forces.

The bridge is the largest in Europe and the only structure of its kind on the lower Danube. It was built in 1896 at a cost of several million dollars.

Berlin, Oct. 26.—The destruction of the bridge over the Danube at Cernovoda is confirmed in an official announcement by the war office today.

London, Oct. 25.—From three points the Teutonic Allies are working with feverish haste in an attempt to encompass Rumania, from the northeastern and eastern borders of Transylvania and through Dobruja.

In the Dobruja region and on the eastern Transylvania front, further progress in their inroads into King Ferdinand's territory has been made. On the northeastern Transylvania front, however, in engagements with the Russians, they have been driven from the heights south of Dorna Watra.

Keeping up his drive in Dobruja, Field Marshal von Mackensen has brought his line well above the Constanta-Tchernovoda railway, his right wing resting approximately on Tachaul, near the Black sea, twelve miles north of Constanta, and the left front of Tchernovoda, whence runs the only bridge across the Danube in this region.

Whether the Rumanians in their evacuation of Tchernovoda left intact the fourteen mile bridge, which would be of immense strategic value of the Teutonic allies in a diversion toward Bucharest, has not been made known but following military precedent, despite the rapidity of von Mackensen's forward push, it probably was blown up or otherwise badly damaged.

Further ground on the eastern Transylvania front on the Rumanian side of the Vulcan and Predal passes has been given up to the Austro-Germans by the Rumanians, but according to Bucharest the Teutons east of the River Aluta in Transylvania, have been driven northward, while in the Ural and Oruzul valleys the Italians have made advances.

Cernovoda was a most valuable prize, because it is the eastern end of a great bridge eleven miles long that spans the Danube and its marshes and ends on the Rumanian plain eight-five miles from Bucharest. The Danube is about 1,000 yards wide. The capture of the town completed the Teuton control of the railroad from Constanta. It is not yet known whether or not the Russo-Rumanian forces destroyed the bridge in their retreat.

An aspect of the situation favorable to von Mackensen's plan is that the armies of Zaitchikovsky and Averescu apparently did not make good their escape across the bridge. These armies, or at least considerable parts of them, are still in the Dobruja and in flight, access to the only bridge across the Danube cut off. They have been forced out of positions at Tachaul Lake, twelve miles north of Constanta near the Black Sea coast, Petrograd admits.

London, Oct. 25.—Cernovoda, the eastern entrance to the Rumanian plain and to Bucharest, fell this morning to von Mackensen's army sweeping through the Dobruja. The Russian and Rumanian armies, driven still further north, are in danger of being trapped between the Teuton army and the loop of the Danube and annihilated or forced to surrender.

Vulcan Pass, in the Transylvania Alps, has been stormed by von Falkenhayn's army hammering at Rumania's northern frontier. His troops have pushed nearer the railroad of Kimpolung, in Rumania, only seventy-five miles northwest of Bucharest. Austrian troops on Rumania's western frontier have stormed a strong mountain height, killing or capturing all the garrison.

From east, north and west the Teuton ring is pressing more tightly around the heart of Rumania. Brave resistance is being made, but the Teuton advance seems only to be delayed never really stopped. In the Obza

## FIRE IN HOSPITAL TAKES TOLL OF 27 LIVES

Many Children Perish in Destruction  
of St. Elizabeth Hall

HOLOCAUST AT FARNHAM, P. Q.

Twenty or More Injured When They  
Jumped from Upper Floors of  
Burning Structure.

Farnham, P. Q., Oct. 26.—At least 27 lives are believed to have been lost last night in the destruction of the Roman Catholic hospital St. Elizabeth Hall and the stables adjoining.

Twenty, most of them children, were injured in jumping from the upper floors of the blazing building. As many of the injured are scattered in homes about the town an accurate estimate can not be made.

There were fully 300 persons, the larger portion of them children, were in the building when the flames were discovered. Most of them were rescued by the heroic work of the firemen and citizens.

## BOMB THROWING BALL PLAYER

Bill O'Hara of Toronto on the Somme  
Front.

"Bill" O'Hara, once a star left-fielder of the Toronto International league team, and a former scout for the New York National league club, has been recommended for the military cross in recognition of his bravery and skill in hurling bombs for the British army on the Somme battle front, according to advices received at Boston yesterday from his home in Toronto.

When O'Hara played in the International league he was noted for his strong and accurate throwing. Baseball men in Boston say it was a common occurrence for him to head off a too-daring base runner at the plate by a long, quick throw from the outfield. O'Hara, a lieutenant in the Canadian regiment at the front, is now hurling deadly bombs instead of baseballs. According to word from Toronto, the practice he had in baseball has stood him in good stead while heading a bombing squad.

## PEERS LOSE 55 SONS

Four Members of British Cabinet  
Similarly Bereaved.

Fifty-five sons of British peers have fallen on the battlefields of the European war, says a dispatch from London. The last was Lieut. W. Wyndham Tennant, the oldest son of Lord Glenconner, who was killed in France September 22, at the age of 19. Only a few days before the death in action of his cousin, Lieut. Mark Tennant, was reported. Lieut. Wyndham Tennant had been with the army just over a year, having joined as soon as he reached the legal age. In a letter to his mother, dated just before going into action, he wrote: "This is written in case anything happens to me, for I should like you to have just a little message from my own hand. Your love for me and my love for you have made my whole life one of the happiest there has ever been. This is a great day for me. 'High heart, high speech, high deeds' 'mid honoring eyes.' God bless you and give you peace."

Four cabinet ministers, Mr. Asquith, Lord Lansdowne, Pike Pease and Arthur Henderson, have lost sons in the war, and Lord Crewe a son-in-law. Mr. Henderson is the labor party leader, and his son was a captain. Lieut. Raymond Asquith gave promise of holding his place at the bar as his father, he had an appointment on the staff, but insisted on serving in the fighting line. Mr. Asquith's younger son was wounded at the Dardanelles. Mr. Lloyd-George also has two sons in the army.

## Used It Eleven Years

There is one remedy that for many years has given relief from coughs, colds, croup and whooping cough. It is probably the best known family cough medicine in the world and because it contains no opiates is strongly recommended for children as well as adults. Mrs. Charles Rieck, Allen Mills, Pa., writes: "I have used Foley's Honey and Tar for eleven years and I would not be without it." It promptly relieves hoarseness, tickling throat, bronchial coughs, inflamed and congested membranes and permits refreshing sleep. Sold Everywhere.

and Ural valleys, on the western Rumanian front, a Russian counter-offensive had some success today and 270 prisoners were taken. South of Red Tower Pass the Rumanians had another slight success, but nothing can overbalance the crushing defeat in the Dobruja or the loss of Vulcan Pass.